

Brookline Dec. 21. 1859

To the selectmen  
of Brookline,

Gentlemen,

I have received from you a notice that a hearing will be had on the 22<sup>d</sup> (tomorrow) on a petition for laying out a highway from Cypress ~~Street~~ to Beacon Street; and as I suppose in part over the land now in trust belonging to the heirs of the late Robt. S. Davis. If so, I have something to say, respecting the present condition and occupancy of said land and if these conditions and occupancy are to be disturbed by the proposed road I must protest against its being laid out as a public highway or even as a private way.

The conditions are as follows: The use of the land belongs to Mrs. Leary during her life, and she has leased the same to Mr. Moses Jones covering that period; receiving therefor an annual income over and above the taxes of about \$200. This sum she must



for the purposes of her support and expect  
its continuance as long as she lives.

Mrs Jones is also desirous of improving the  
land as a part of his farm. & does not wish  
to be disturbed in his possession under his  
lease. If the road is laid out by the town  
without the consent of Mrs Jones and he  
should deem it sufficient cause to terminate  
the lease I shall ~~deem~~<sup>regard</sup> it as doing an injury  
to Mrs. Carey and in her behalf shall claim  
such damages as she may suffer in conse-  
quence.

I think it can scarcely be regarded  
as a public necessity or even convenience  
and therefore hope that nothing may be done  
without the consent of those immediately  
interested.

Very Respectfully  
D. H. Rogers Trustee





Letter from  
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Arthur H. D  
and wife